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In re application of:

Coffman et al.

Serial No.:

09/374,374

Group: Art Unit 3661

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August 13, 1999

Examiner: Angela A. Armstrong

METHOD FOR DETERMINING AND MAINTAINING DIALOG FOCUS IN A CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH SYSTEM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1) (Col. 2) (Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDIT. RATE FEE	ADDIT. OR RATE FEE
TOTAL 25 *	MINUS 25 **	= 0 X 9 \$	X 18 \$ 0	
INDEP. 3 *	MINUS 3 ***	= 0 X 42 \$	X 84 \$ 0	
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM		X 140 \$	X 280 \$	
		TOTAL	OR TOTAL	\$ 0

ADDIT. FEE \$0

- * If the entry in Co. 1 is less than entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
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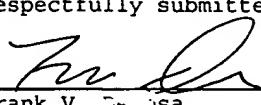
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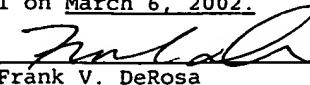
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RESPONSE GROUP 3600

In response to the Office Action dated December 6, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claim rejections based on the following remarks.

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